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REMARKS

With reference to the Restriction Requirement of June 23, 2009, Applicants hereby elect the Group I claims (claims 1 to 9) for prosecution. The subject filing having been made under 35 U.S.C. §371, the Preliminary Amendment of February 21, 2006 was made with reference to the text of the Article 34 Amendment from the corresponding PCT Application. This accounts for the difference in claims noted by the Examiner. The pending claims are properly claims 1-11. With respect to the election of species, applicants hereby elect the combination of sodium sulphate and sodium tartrate. The elections set forth herein are made without traverse. Elected claims 1 to 9 and withdrawn claims 10 and 11 read on the elected species.

Claim 1 has been amended to include alkali metal tartrate in the list of salts set forth therein. See, for example, the specification at page 2, paragraph 4. This amendment provides unity of invention with claim 6. Consistent with claim 1 requiring the presence of two salts, claim 4 has been amended to specify that each of the two salts is a sodium salt. Claim 5, depending upon claim 4 has been amended to specify that one of the sodium salts comprises sodium sulphate. Claim 6 has been amended to change its dependency from claim 7 to claim 1. In view of the election, claims 10 and 11 have been withdrawn. Entry of the subject amendment is respectfully requested.

If a telephone conversation would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the present application, applicants' undersigned attorney kindly requests the Examiner to telephone at the number provided.

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